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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY, INC., AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, FOR APPROVALS ASSOCIATED WITH A PROPOSED TRANSACTION WITH MARICOPA COUNTY MUNICIPAL WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT NUMBER ONE TO ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SURFACE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY KNOWN AS THE WHITE TANKS PROJECT

DOCKET NO. W-01303A-05-0718

ARIZONA-AMERICAN WATER COMPANY

RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE BY PULTE HOME CORPORATION

Arizona-American Water Company ("Arizona-American") hereby responds to the October 25, 2006, Application of Pulte Home Corporation ("Pulte") for Leave to Intervene. Although the Application is certainly late, Arizona-American does not object to the requested intervention if it does not delay this matter.

We are now very late in a matter that must be concluded in the near future or Arizona-American will be unable to begin the bid process for the White Tanks Water Treatment Plant in time to support a 2009 on-line date. If the Plant is delayed, Arizona-American will have to critically evaluate its water-supply options to satisfy new-home water demands in 2009. These options may not be cost effective and none of them would address the serious issues of declining water supplies, increasingly poor water quality, and subsidence. For that reason, Arizona-American's options could include asking the Commission to approve a new-service moratorium for the Agua Fria Water District.

Pulte has offered no reason why it could not have applied <u>substantially</u> earlier for intervenor status. Therefore, Arizona-American asks that, if the Administrative Law Judge

decides to grant the requested application, Pulte be required to abide by the existing procedural 1 schedule, including the requirement to docket any response to the Staff Report on or before 2 3 November 6, 2006. RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED on October 31, 2006. 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 Original and 13 copies filed on October 31, 2006, with: 17 18 19 **Docket Control** Arizona Corporation Commission 20 1200 West Washington 21 22 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 23 24 Copies of the foregoing mailed 25 on October 31, 2006, to: 26 27 Teena Wolfe 28 Administrative Law Judge 29 Arizona Corporation Commission 30 1200 West Washington St. Phoenix, Arizona 85007 31 32 33 Keith Layton Attorney, Legal Division 34 35 Arizona Corporation Commission 36 1200 West Washington St. 37 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 38 39 Steve Olea

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